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**STAFF MINUTES**  
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Present: Scoville  
25X1A Giller  
[REDACTED]  
Miller  
Cunningham

1. System X - There was quite an involved discussion of the next steps to be taken in the procurement of System X. The questions raised concerned the availability of a beefed up RB-57; whether there should be a separate contract for the RB-57 antenna configuration; the real purpose of the meeting on System X at the Pentagon on 7 August; and who should have technical monitorship of System X contracting. In order, the answers appeared to be that a RB-57 is immediately available, but it is not the beefed up model; that there will be a requirement for a separate contract for the RB-57 antenna; that the meeting on 7 August at the Pentagon largely concerns technical matters; and that OEL should have technical monitorship of the System X contract. On the other hand, OSA will provide contracting support and will supervise flight testing and security.

2. OXGART Communications - Dr. Scoville raised the question (growing out of the meeting with Dr. Fubini) whether the OX vehicle should carry an ARC-50. Colonel Giller suggested that this question and several others concerning OXCART communications should be reserved for a separate meeting with OSA staff members.

3. Briefings by Kelly Johnson - Dr. Scoville raised the question whether Kelly Johnson was arriving in town today, and if so, whether it was intended for him to brief the DCI on OXCART. Dr. Scoville

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also thought that the actual status of AR should be clarified, since he had received conflicting reports in his recent visit to [REDACTED]. He also questioned whether Kelly should at this time brief the NRC. It appeared that Mr. Johnson was not arriving in Washington today. In any event, a NRC briefing should be left until later.

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25X1A 4. Control of [REDACTED] - Mr. Cunningham reported that on Friday, 3 August, Mr. Kirkpatrick had told him that [REDACTED] is now a purely DD/P project and that the DD/R has nothing further to do with it. Dr. Scoville considered this to be interesting intelligence and said he would discuss it further with Mr. Kirkpatrick.

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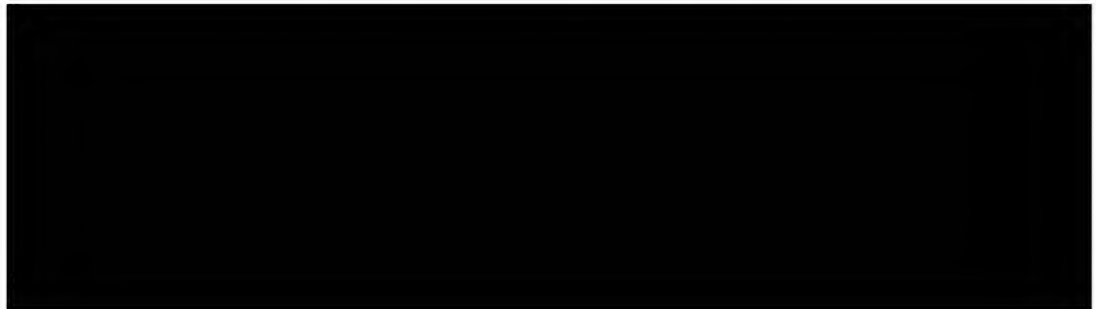
6. S&T Resignations - Dr. Scoville asked [REDACTED] to get copies of the June and July reports of separations of GS-12's and above, so that he could examine them for reports of the departures of S&T personnel.

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7. Agency R&D Chart - Colonel Giller discussed a chart that had been recently prepared to demonstrate how well Agency R&D activities have not been consolidated under the DD/R. Figures for R&D funds and personnel had not been included on the chart until certain matters of approach had been decided. This matter was then discussed at some length, and Colonel Giller and [REDACTED] are to undertake to fill in appropriate data. The chart is to be used at a forthcoming meeting between Dr. Scoville and the DCI.

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10. Fogging of Mission 9040 - A flurry developed over some unexplained film fogging in certain parts of Mission 9040. Dr. Scoville had recommended that another shot not be undertaken until some cause for this fogging could be determined. It was agreed that Ed Green of Eastman Kodak should be asked to do a fast read-out of Mission 9041, just completed, to see whether this fogging had been repeated.


11. New Project Numbers - Dr. Scoville asked Mr. Cunningham to procure for him a complete list of NRO projects to which new project numbers had been assigned, as it was impossible to tell the players without a score card.

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